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HONGKONG, July 11th, 1900]

Mr. Consul HAUSER's report of the trade of Wuchow for 1899 reveals a promising state of affairs at the West River port. There was an increase of 45 per cent on the aggregate value of trade in 1898, imports amounting to Hk. Tls. 4,200,334 as against Hk. Tls. 2,976,807 in 1898, and exports (including re-exports) to Hk. Tls. 1,944,790 as against Hk. Tls. 1,251,901. The increase, moreover, Mr. HAUSER points out, would have been even greater had not disturbances inland seriously curtailed both the import and export trade of the province. The last four months of 1899 saw several abortive risings in the districts affected by the rebellion of the previous year. Though nothing came of these risings, traders lost confidence and progress was stopped. The Imperial Maritime Customs experienced a considerable falling off in the last quarter of the year, and whereas a total revenue of Tls. 300,000 was expected for the year only Tls. 294,000 came in. Nevertheless, as Wuchow was only opened to trade in June 1897, Mr. HAUSER says, these figures compare by no means unfavourably with those of certain older established ports. The partial diversion of trade with the south and south-west of the province from the Pakhoi overland to the West River route, which was one of the results anticipated from the opening of the West River ports, has not been appreciably realised and any such diversion has only affected the junk trade under the Native Customs administration.

Coming now to details, Mr. HAUSER says:—"Of the total imports into Wuchow, \$4,076,227 Haikwan taels (611,434) are

"shown as coming from foreign countries, "meaning here Hongkong only. Foreign goods valued at 32,115 Haikwan taels (4,817) are returned as imported from Chinese ports, the balance of 31,992 taels (18,799) being native goods imported from Chinese ports, chiefly from Samsui and Shanghai. Similarly the bulk of the exports amounting to 1,863,523 Haikwan taels (278,028) was destined for Hongkong, the remainder 91,267 Haikwan taels (13,630) going to Chinese ports, mostly Samsui and Canton. Among exports are included re-exports value 10,941 Haikwan taels (1,641), of which 7,803 Haikwan taels (1,170) were for Hongkong, and 3,138 Haikwan taels (471) for Chinese ports. The value of the trade of Wuchow with Hongkong was thus 5,329,750 Haikwan taels (889,462), or 96 per cent of the total value of the trade of the port."

The figures of imports from Hongkong, the report continues, do not necessarily represent actual foreign produce, all goods, whatever their origin, imported from the Colony being classified as foreign in the customs returns. Thus there are many items of native produce shipped at Hongkong en route from Chinese ports, either in the natural course of trade, or with a view to qualifying them for the privilege of taking out covering transit passes for their conveyance into the interior. The export figures, too, only represent a portion of the port's actual outward trade, the bulk of the coast trade being carried in junks and specially built native vessels towed by launches. The actual figures of this domestic trade cannot be determined, but the *lekin* receipts for Wuchow amount to a third of those of the whole province.

Among the imports foreign opium has so far proved a failure, doubtless on account of its price. The native drug, mainly from Yunnan, holds the field, but the inhabitants are not heavy smokers and show few signs of excess. Cotton goods made an advance of over £100,000 from the Hk. Tls. 1,716,222 of 1898 to Hk. Tls. 2,355,766 in 1899; but account must be taken of higher values put on the various classes of goods in the customs returns for last year. However, if quantities only are taken into account there is still a notable increase in almost every item, the largest falling off being T-shirts. Japanese yarn fell off, owing to its uneven weight and quality, while Indian yarn made a 40 per cent advance. In woollen goods there was a slight general increase. In the import of metal there was little improvement to note.

The P. & O. Company informed us yesterday that the hired transport *Ballucar* left Bombay for China on Sunday evening, the 8th instant, calling at Singapore.

Several stallholders in the Central Market were yesterday fined \$10 for obstructing the passages and a butcher (Shang Li) of stall No. 17 was fined \$50 for exposing tainted meat for sale.

In his report on the trade of Shashih for 1899 Mr. Acting-Consul Wilton draws attention to having to remain in Manila instead of proceeding to China, as said to be partly contended by the issue of new "King" rifles, first to "A" Company and then to the whole regiment. They have been on patrol duty in Manila for over a year and will remain to protect the town.

Sergeant Smith was going along Queen's Road Central the other night when a chair passed him containing a Chinaman. There seemed something strange about the latter, so he stopped the chair, and found that the man who was being carried was dead. It was subsequently certified that the man had died from plague. For carrying a dead body in their chair (No. 232) the coolies were yesterday fined \$5 each.

Another resident as the result of the exploding of a dynamite cartridge has been reported to the police. A boy at Sui Kung appears to have got one from some quarters close by, and he thought he would secure some fish by its means. He accordingly went on to the sea-shore and ignited the fuse, intending to throw the cartridge into the water and thus stun the fish. However, he kept the cartridge in his hand too long. Before he could throw it away it exploded and shattered his hand. He was brought to Hongkong in the police launch and sent to the Hospital.

At the Magistracy yesterday Mr. Hazlak inflicted exemplary sentences upon two women for an offence against the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance. The defendants were Leung Wai (aged 45) and Leung Sze (aged 32). The latter is mistress of a brothel at 48, Ship Street. It seems that a Chinaman who comes from Macao was passing along Ship Street when he noticed his cousin, Tong Kui (aged 18) on the verandah at No. 48, Ship Street. He knew that the girl had been missing since last September, and that when her mother had asked her husband where she was he had said she was dead. Accordingly the mother was communicated with. She saw the girl in the brothel and also the defendants. The latter wished her to pay \$100 and then \$80 for the girl. She offered \$75, but this was refused, and she made a complaint to the Registrar-General, with the result that the girl was removed from the house and the defendants. In a statement made by her the girl said she was married when she was 17 years of age to a seaman, and she went to live with her mother-in-law at Shek I, Hengshan. Both her husband and her mother-in-law beat her and last September they sold her to the first defendant for \$120. She was brought to Hongkong and taken to 48, Ship Street, where she had been ever since. She was not a prostitute when in the country, and did not wish to become one. The first defendant was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour for purchasing the girl and bringing her into the colony for the purposes of prostitution, and the second defendant was sentenced to nine months' hard labour for harbouring the girl, knowing she had been so purchased.

With regard to the Transit Pass system, Mr. HAUSER says that it worked smoothly throughout the year and complaints were few. The total value of foreign goods sent inland from Wuchow under transit pass in 1899 was Hk. Tls. 2,955,002, and of native produce sent outwards Hk. Tls. 1,069,943. The British flag claimed 72.05 per cent of the transit trade, the Chinese 27.82, the remaining 13 being Italian. 1,840 outward transit passes were issued to British merchants at the Wuchow office during 1899. Mr. HAUSER says:—"In 1898

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It would appear that the steamers running between Hankow and Ichang have had sufficient up-river cargo to render them for the most part independent of up-river cargo for Shashih, which is 80 miles below Ichang. Keener steamer competition would prove a benefit for Shashih. The Japanese, he continues, intend to make a bold bid for the trade of the place, and already have a well-chosen concession and a subsidiary steamer running between Hankow and Ichang with cargo for Shashih. A second steamer is to follow this year. Mr. Wilton does not think the expansion of Shashih would damage Ichang, which is mainly a port of transhipment. There are possibilities of an independent foreign trade at Shashih, and steam cotton mills would have an abundance of raw material at hand.

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That the first letter and much more so the second, caused general amusement I can vouch for, as I repeat, that every statement made by "Impartial" was correct, and many more could I add, were the subject only worth the trouble.

I fully endorse the statements "Senhor Lello is a clever man!"—Yours, etc.

ONE WHO KNOWS.

Macao, 10th July.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

SIR.—Only a few words are needed in reply to "A's" letter, and after that I shall bid the subject "adieu." I cannot expect to claim so much space in your paper for a discussion on Senhor Lello.

Did not Senhor Lello show his cleverness when he was serving as Secretary to Senhor Machado (in Africa), Senhor Borja and to Senhor Horta e Costa too, when he was here before?

The community here is lamenting very much that Senhor Horta e Costa should have so clever a man for his Secretary. Senhor Horta e Costa, having taken steps to come out here and having Senhor Lello already for his Secretary, no doubt, will be more careful than the first time he was here.

I must request "A" to watch the future, and when I appear again then to say whether I am partial or impartial.—Yours, etc.

IMPARCIAL.

MANILA.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Manila, 6th July.

INDEPENDENCE DAY IN MANILA.

Independence day was enthusiastically celebrated in Manila. A stranger dropping into town would be quite able to recognize it as an American possession, even though he overlooked the ever visible saloon and the jingerring Government wagons and trucks. The entire community seemed interested, and foreigners and Filipinos were as active as Americans, in decorating their business houses and homes. The Escalas presented a gaily appearance and the river, shipping and harbour were alive with moving colours. Hundreds of the public curiosities and quizes were wrapped in bunting and many of the ponies were bandaged in red, white and blue collars and bellybands.

The Ayuntamiento or government headquarters displayed the most tasteful decorations, the entire front being covered with enormous flags. An immense banner was stretched from the roof of the building to one of the trees in the Cathedral plaza, and it hung down almost to the street level. The residence of Thomas Evans on the opposite corner added to the picture and recalled the past year with portraits of Lawton, Otis and Merritt.

In the afternoon the usual exercises were held at the Zorrilla Theatre. They were tiresome and uninteresting as such affairs usually are. The Declaration of Independence was read to the assembled multitude in English. Persons sitting within a radius of twenty-five feet were able to hear a little of it. Then it was done over again in the Spanish language for the benefit of those not speaking English. This parading of the doctrine of independence is a bit incongruous and some of the audience must have wondered how the great eagle reconciles his position in the islands to-day. The five hundred school children rose up and sang the "Star Spangled Banner" with great spirit. They were led by a man who stood on the stage and gestured frantically first to the children, and then to a fractions orchestra. It was hard work, but finally they were all under way and I believe the children finished first, with the leader a few bars behind and the orchestra a very poor third. But these are little things that cannot be helped and the crowd was good natured and overlooked them, and everybody felt better for being there, and hoped that the children were absorbing the spirit of American progress, good government and general superiority, even though the parents of some of them might at the time have been dangerously but pleasantly engaged in ambushing a baggage train or merrily plugging holes into some outlying garrison. The day was closed with a bell at the Provost Marshal's Headquarters.

FORESTRY LAWS COMPILED.

The Military Secretary's office has issued the forestry laws providing regulations for the cutting and traffic of timber. They have not been well received by the business men who claim that the tariff is too high and the grouping of the various woods inconsistent. An effort was made by the compilers to rate the wood according to their values—thus an expensive wood calls for a higher rate than a cheaper class; but the general criticism pronounces the scheme unsatisfactory.

The Spanish laws were largely consulted in getting up the new code, but, as the timbermen say, the Spaniards were just about to issue up-to-date regulations and tariff to remedy the old defects. During the last two years conditions have changed still more and the whole affair should be revised. As time has gone on certain kinds of woods have fallen out of general use and others have become popular; besides this there is the rapid introduction of iron and steel material to be considered.

The price of wood in Manila to-day is exceedingly high and it has been found cheaper to bring timber from Borneo to use the local product. On account of the insurrection the foresters have very largely abandoned their work, and as this kind of labour requires much time, the present supply is very limited. Many of the largest timber districts lying well inland are still in the hands of the insurgents, and little or no work is being done.

NECESSITY FOR NEW BUILDINGS.

Under the impetus of American rule Manila is expanding and new buildings are very greatly needed. The business houses and godowns lack the capacity to handle trade, and the need of more warehouses and office room is pressing. However, the cost of construction is so great that people hesitate to build. House rent has

doubled and trebled. Ordinary dwelling houses formerly bringing rents of sixty or seventy dollars now command one hundred and thirty to two hundred dollars, just as the landlord thinks the tenant can stand it.

In one case a Spaniard owns two houses of exactly the same size and number of rooms. One he has rented to a German family for sixteen dollars per month; the other house adjoining brings sixty dollars from an American officer and his family. The Spaniard is very pleased over the affair and admits the difference, but he says the German leased the house on the old basis before rents went up, and if the other house can bring more rent why, of course, he will ask all that he can get. For the present there is no indication of better prices and the living problem is becoming serious.

NEW TREATY AFFECTING BRITISH SUBJECTS IN SIAM.

The following is the text of the Agreement between Great Britain and Siam on the registration of British subjects in Siam, which was signed on November 29, 1899, and is now made public:

The Governments of His Majesty the King of Siam and of Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Empress of India, recognizing the necessity of having a satisfactory arrangement for the Registration of British subjects in Siam, the Undersigned—His Siamese Majesty's Minister for Foreign Affairs and Her Britannic Majesty's Minister Resident—duly authorized to that effect, have agreed as follows:

I.

The registration according to Article V. of the Treaty of April 18, 1855, of British subjects residing in Siam, shall comprise the following categories:

1.—All British natural born or naturalized subjects, other than those of Asiatic descent.

2.—All children and grandchildren born in Siam of persons entitled to be registered under the first category, who are entitled to the status of British subjects in contemplation of English law.

Neither great-grandchildren nor illegitimate children born in Siam of persons mentioned in the first category are entitled to be registered.

3.—All persons of Asiatic descent born within the Queen's Dominions or naturalized within the United Kingdom or born within the territory of any Prince or State in India under the suzerainty of or in alliance with the Queen.

Except natives of Upper Burma or the British Shan States who became domiciled in Siam before January 1st, 1860.

4.—All children born in Siam of persons entitled to be registered under the third category.

No grandchildren born in Siam of persons mentioned in the third category are entitled to be registered for protection in Siam.

5.—The wives and widows of any persons who are entitled to be registered under the foregoing categories.

III.

If any question arises as to the right of any person to hold a British certificate of registration as to the validity of the certificate itself, a joint inquiry shall be held by the British and Siamese authorities and decide according to the conditions laid down in this Agreement, upon evidence to be adduced by the holder of the certificate, in the usual way.

IV.

Should any action, civil or criminal, be pending while such inquiry is going on, it shall be determined conjointly in what Court the case shall be heard.

V.

If the person, in respect of whom the inquiry is held, come within the conditions for registration laid down in Art. I, he may, if not yet registered, forthwith be registered as a British subject and provided with a certificate of registration at Her Britannic Majesty's Consulate; otherwise he shall be recognized as falling under Siamese jurisdiction and if already on the lists of Her Britannic Majesty's Consulate, his name shall be erased.

MR. YERBURGH ON THE STATES AND RUSSIA IN CHINA.

Among the articles in the June reviews dealing with China, perhaps the most important article is that by Mr. Robert Yerburgh, in the *National Review* in which the writer points out the illusory nature of the success supposed to have been gained by the United States over the Open Door question in China. The States endeavoured to obtain from the various Powers claiming "spheres of interest in China" a declaration securing the adhesion to the policy of the Open Door, and while the other Powers accepted them, Russia abstained from accepting them generally, confining her assent to one question out of the three which they embraced.

The position of Russia now is that she has made a statement with regard to Talienshan and the Open Door which need only be adhered to so long as Talienshan is not separated from the rest of the leased territory, and that she has by passing over the other proposals, plainly conveyed that it is not her intention to make the required declaration with regard to them.

Two questions at once force themselves upon one. Firstly, how could the United States Government consider Count Muravyeff's reply as such an acceptance of their proposals of the 22nd September as fulfilled the conditions laid down by Lord Salisbury; and secondly, how could Lord Salisbury, with Russia's reply before him, consent to admit the contention of the United States that his conditions had been fulfilled?

The battle of the Open Door in China has been fought; the public believe that it has been won; the public hope that it has been won; the world has rejoiced with exceeding great joy. As a matter of fact the battle has been lost, and we are to-day as far from an agreement with regard to the Open Door as we were before the United States entered the arena as its champion.

But the American Government does not appear to have realised this, and once again the astute Muscovite has triumphed over the confounding Anglo-Saxon.

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LATE TELEGRAMS.

NEWS VIA AUSTRALIA.

THE AUSTRALIAN DELEGATES.

London, 12th June.

The Australian federation delegates in England are now visiting Highbury, the residence of the Rt. Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, near Birmingham, and they will inspect various hardware and ironworks at Birmingham and Sheffield.

SUMSTROKE IN ENGLAND.

London, 12th June.

Excessively hot weather is being experienced in England at the present time. At the review of troops at Aldershot on Monday 300 cases of sunstroke, of which four terminated fatally occurred among the soldiers.

STATEMENTS BY SIR THOMAS SUTHERLAND.

London, 13th June.

At the annual meeting of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, held yesterday, Sir Thomas Sutherland, chairman of the company, stated that two-thirds of the coal used by the P. & O. fleet was drawn from India, Japan and Australia. Referring to the transport of troops to South Africa in connection with the present war, Sir Thomas Sutherland declared that the British mercantile marine might have transported during the same period, if necessary, double the number of the transports that were actually sent.

In the course of his speech, Sir Thomas Sutherland referred to the present critical situation in China, but predicted an early settlement of the difficulty. Politics, he stated, would not be allowed to interfere with commerce and Chinamen were by far the best traders in the world.

THE GERMAN NAVY BILL.

London, 13th June.

News from Berlin states that the Navy Bill, which provides for a large increase in the German Navy, passed its third reading in the Reichstag by 201 votes to 103.

ILLNESS OF LORD LOCH.

London, 13th June.

The Right Hon. Lord Loch, G.C.B., late High Commissioner for South Africa, and formerly Governor of Victoria, is reported to be very seriously ill.

BANJUSETSUNEJI'S SCORES.

London, 13th June.

Prince Ranjitsinhji, the celebrated cricketer, has made two notable scores in two consecutive innings. In a match, Sussex v. Somerset, he obtained 222 runs, and, playing against Cambridge, his score was 210 not out.

ROYAL HUNT CUP.

London, 13th June.

The race for the Royal Hunt Cup, 1 mile, was run at the Ascot June Meeting to-day, and resulted as follows:

Royal Flush 1

Goodluck 2

Reeva 3

SUCCESSFUL AUSTRALIAN STUDENTS.

London, 13th June.

In the annual examinations at Cambridge University the following successes by Australian students are announced.—The mathematical tripos has been won by Mr. Pant. Two first-class honours have been won in the first division by Mr. Henry Bevan, son of Dr. Bevan, of Melbourne, and in the second division by Mr. S. B. McLaren.

UNIVERSITY HONOURS.

London, 13th June.

The University of Cambridge has conferred the degree of Doctor of Laws upon Sir Walter Buller, K.C.M.G., the distinguished New Zealand ornithologist, and formerly representative of the colony of New Zealand on the governing body of the Imperial Institute.

SHIPPING INTERESTS IN CHINA.

Important events are happening in very quick succession at the present moment in China, and it behoves that portion of the commercial community who have interests in that country to be on the alert lest the politicians once more ignore trading interests in favour of what they foolishly conceive to be higher motives. No doubt it would suit many of our politicians to declare themselves in favour of the "open-door" policy, the "sphere of interest" policy, or, indeed, of any other plan of settling the Chinese question which would have the appearance of a political triumph. But the mercantile classes should insist with all their strength on every possible effort first being made to secure the opening up of China to free and unrestricted trade. It is likely, indeed, that in a very short time the whole Chinese question will be put in the melting pot, and though we have no absolute disdain for political diplomats, yet the result of their past action in West Africa and other parts of the globe compels us to think that the trading aspect of these "grabbing" schemes is often entirely left out of sight. The report of the meeting of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company ought to be carefully studied by the authorities at home, for the chairman's statement was one which should at once give the cue to our officials in dealing with this question. That trade between this country and China is fast improving is evident from the strong demand which exists on the Yangtze for increased tonnage. But the regulations of the local Chinese officials in doing all they can to prevent trading on the rivers amount, as Mr. Macandrew pointed out, to an entire prohibition of trading altogether. It will be remembered that the diplomatic negotiations which were part of the recent scramble for China resulted in a great shout of triumph by British officials, for they asserted that they had obtained the concession that inland navigation would for ever more be free and unrestricted. This was paraded at the time as a great triumph for British diplomacy, and an event which meant more than the opening of any number of new treaty ports on the coast. But it now transpires, alas, that our officials have, as usual, quite ignored the trading aspect of the question, and by leaving it to the Chinese themselves to fix the calling stations for ships trading in the river have enabled the Chinese to completely evade the vaunted concession. If any trader had been asked to see the agreement between the diplomats he would at once have said that for the purpose of promoting foreign commerce the document was not worth the paper on which it was written. This is a most lamentable confession to have made, but the representatives of our Foreign Office in China cannot deny that the statement made by the chairman of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company is entirely true. This incident in itself will, we trust, be sufficient to call the attention of the commercial classes of England to the necessity of insisting upon being consulted before any more treaties of this kind are concluded. Our Chambers of Commerce should take up this matter of the failure of the concession of free inland navigation, and urge upon the politicians who look after these things the absolute necessity of demanding that ships trading in the river should be free to pick up or put down cargo and passengers at every landing place along the banks.

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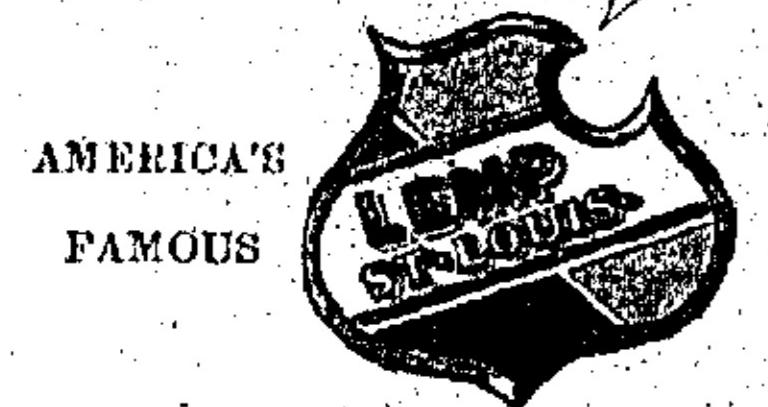
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Hongkong, 19th August, 1899. [27]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

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NOTICE is hereby given that at a Meeting of the Board of Directors of the above Company, held at the Registered Office of the Company, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the Twenty-seventh day of March, 1900, the following Resolutions were passed—

- That in pursuance of the provisions of the Special Resolution passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 7th and confirmed on the 27th March and since duly registered, the sum of \$1,250,000 be withdrawn from the Reserve Fund and be carried as of the 2nd July next to the Credit of Capital Account, each Share being credited with a sum of \$25 as paid up thereon in addition to the sum of \$50 now standing to the credit of each Share.
- That the balance of \$25 per Share of the Unpaid Capital of the Company be called up, and that a Call be and is hereby made of \$25 per Share upon all the Shares of the Company, and that the Shareholders be requested to pay the same to the Company's Bankers, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at their premises, Queen's Road Central, on or before the 2nd day of July, A.D. 1900.

Shareholders are hereby requested to pay accordingly.

And Notice is also given that, in accordance with Article 34 of the Company's Articles of Association, interest will be charged as from the said 2nd day of July, 1900, at the rate of \$12 per centum per annum, upon all Calls remaining unpaid after the 9th day of July, 1900, up to the actual dates of payment of the same.

By Order of the Board.

A. SHELTON HOOVER, Secretary. Hongkong, 28th March, 1900. [916]

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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, 16th May, 1900. [1848]

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And Notice is also given that, in accordance with Article 24 of the Company's Articles of Association, Interest will be charged as from the said 6th day of August, 1900, at the rate of \$10 per centum per annum, upon all Calls remaining unpaid after the said 6th day of August, 1900, up to the actual dates of payment of the same.

Shareholders are particularly requested to note that upon presentation at the Office of the Company of the Bankers' receipt for payment of the Call together with the Certificate of the Shares in respect of which the Call has been paid, an endorsement to that effect will be made upon the certificate.

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W. H. GASKELL, Secretary. Hongkong, 6th July, 1900. [1924]

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PERSIA AS CIVILIZATION'S CRADLE—TOP-OF-THE-WORLD FLOWERS—INSTABILITY OF TIN—ARCTIC MICROBES—THE CUTICLE'S GROWTH IN LAYERS—BODY HEAT FROM SUGAR—QUARTZ-WORKING—LIGHTNING'S BEADTH—CHEMICALLY COATED EGGS.
The relics obtained by the French Scientific Commission in its two years of excavation on the sites of ancient Persian cities seem to belong to a civilization much older than that of Chaldea. Under the ancient city of Susa were found tablets bearing pictorial cuneiform characters, and these are held by M. Jacques de Morgan, the leader of the expedition, to prove conclusively that the Chaldeans were not the inventors of printed language, but that it dates from a much earlier time. In the latest historical city, about 20 feet below the surface, were brick buildings, without trace of metal or writing. The earliest settlement was 30 feet lower, and contained rude pottery and flint implements; while in the second of the prehistoric settlements were an enormous number of the flint teeth of sickles, indicating an agricultural and grain-growing population. The sickles were modeled after the lower jaw of the ox, as in ancient Egypt, but all pottery below the historic strata was hand-made, showing no acquaintance with the wheel used in predynastic Egypt.

The width of a flash of lightning has been measured by George Bamberger, of the Hamburg Observatory. A photograph was secured last August as lightning struck a tower a third of a mile away, and from the distance of the tower and the focal distance of the camera objective it was possible to calculate the breadth of the discharge shown in the picture. It has been determined that the flash was one-fifth of an inch wide. Ramifications shown in the photograph on each side of the main discharge are attributed to the strong gale that was blowing, the phenomena appearing like a silk ribbon with shreds floating in the wind.

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| SHIMONOSHIKI | MIKE MARU | Jap. str. | — | F. W. Vibert, E.N.E. | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 17th inst. |
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Hongkong, 10th July, 1900. [16]

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The Hongkong Mail, with the American Mail, dated San Francisco 14th June, left Yokohama on Tuesday, the 3rd instant, at daylight, and may be expected here to-day.
The *Anam*, with the French Mail of the 16th June, left Singapore on Sunday, the 8th instant, at 9 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 15th instant. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 12th May.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR PER DAY AND HOUR.

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| Swatow, Amoy, Aiping and Tukao | Wednesday, 11th, 11.00 A.M. |
| Manila | Wednesday, 11th, 4.00 P.M. |
| Swatow and Bangkok | Thursday, 12th, 0.00 A.M. |
| Singapore, Penang and Calcutta | Thursday, 12th, 10.00 A.M. |
| Europe, &c., India via Tuticorin (Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents) | Registration, 10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) |

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| Buyeria | Letters, 11.00 A.M. |
| Manila | Yueyang |
| Yokohama and Kobe | Tientsin |
| Samarang and Sourabaya | Hangchow |
| AMOY, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO | Gaelic |

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| Manila, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne | Chingtu |
| Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne | Taiwan |
| SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA and VANCOUVER (B.C.) | Empress of Japan |
| (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the Mail. Extra Postage 10 cents) | Pakhoi |
| Shimoneski | Sungkhang |
| Manila | Sydney |
| Europe, &c., India via Tuticorin (Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the Mail. Extra Postage 10 cents) | TO-DAY. |

Sale, Wines and Spirits, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes and Hough, 11 a.m.
Meeting of the Victoria Recreation Club, Club Gymnasium, 5 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Sale, Furniture, Sales Rooms, Mr. V. I. Remedios, 2.30 p.m.
Sale, Sherry, Sales Rooms, Mr. Paul Brewitt, 11.30 a.m.
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COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

TUESDAY, 10th July.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—Telegraphic Transfer 1/112
Bank Bills, on demand 1/112
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight 2/0
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/0
Credits, at 4 months' sight 2/0
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 2/0
ON PARIS.—Bank Bills, on demand 2.50
Credits, at 4 months' sight 2.55
ON GERMANY.—2.03
ON NEW YORK.—Bank Bills, on demand 48
Credits, 60 days' sight 49
ON BOMBAY.—Telegraphic Transfer 149
Bank, on demand 149
ON CALCUTTA.—Telegraphic Transfer 149
Bank, on demand 149
ON MANILA.—On demand 21 p.c.p.m.
ON SINGAPORE.—On demand 21 p.c.p.m.
ON BATAVIA.—On demand 119
ON HAIPHONG.—On demand 3 p.c.p.m.
ON SAIGON.—On demand 21 p.c.p.m.
ON BANGKOK.—On demand 60
SOVEREIGN, Bank's Buying Rate 1.94
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael 53.25
BAR SILVER, per oz. 234

OPTIMUM.

Quotations are—Allow 10c. net to 1 cent.
Malwa New \$900 to \$900 per picul.
Malwa Old \$910 to \$920
Malwa Older \$920 to \$940
P.F. per wrapped \$870 to —
Persian extra fine \$950 to —
Patna New \$950 to — per chest.
Patna Old \$1,040 to —
Bunras New \$955 to —
Bunras Old \$8 —

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. steamer *Anam*, with the outward French Mail, left Singapore on Sunday, the 8th inst., at 9 a.m., for this port via Saigon.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Imperial German Mail steamer *Bayera* left Foochow yesterday, the 10th inst., at 7 a.m., and may be expected here this afternoon.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C. P. R. steamer *Empress of India* left Nagasaki on Monday, 2nd July, for Hongkong via usual ports of call.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. & A. steamer *Easter*, from Sydney, left Port Darwin on 29th ult. for Timor and Hongkong.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. steamer *China*, with Mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 23rd ult.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Kamakura Maru* (European Line), left Kobe via Môrî for this port on the 11th inst., and is expected to arrive here on the 11th inst.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

HONGKONG, 10th July.

| STOCKS. | NO. OF SHARES. | ISSUE VALUE. | PAID UP. | LAST DIVIDEND. | CLOSING QUOTATIONS. |
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| BANKS. | | | | | |
| Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation | 80,000 | \$125 | \$125 | 30/- div. & 10/- bonus for 1st 1/2 yr. = \$33.50 | 200 p. et. pr. = \$403.75 |
| Bank of China & Japan, Ltd. | 109,875 | 25 | 25 | None | 21 |
| Do, Deferred | 1,250 | 25 | 25 | None | 25.50 |
| National Bank of China, Ltd. | 10,970 A | 25 | 25 | 2/- for 1890 | 32/- buyers |
| Do, Founders Shares | 29,055 B | 25 | 25 | 2/- for 1891 = \$1.30 for 90 | 32/- sellers |
| Chelydra | 750 shrs. | 25 | 25 | None | 320 |
| MARINE INSURANCES. | | | | | |
| Union Ins. Society, Ltd. | 10,000 | \$250 | \$250 | 30/- p. ct. = \$18 for 1893 | 320/- |
| China Traders Ins. Co., Ltd. | 24,000 | \$33.25 | \$25 | 15/- p. ct. final = 10/- p. ct. | 305 buyers |
| North China Ins. Co., Ltd. | 5,000 | \$100 | \$25 | in all for 1893 | Tls. 105 |
| Yantze Ins. Assoc., Ltd. | 8,000 | \$100 | \$60 | 10/- p. ct. for 1897 | 312/- sellers |
| Canton Insurance Office, Ltd. | 10,000 | \$250 | \$50 | 11/- for 1898 | 312/- |
| Straits Insurance Co., Ltd. | 30,000 | \$100 | \$20 | 5 per cent. for 1895 | 31/- buyers |
| SHIPPING. | | | | | |
| Hongkong, Canton and Macao S. C. Co., Ltd. | 80,000 | \$10 | \$10 | 1/- for half year | \$30, buyers |
| Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd. | 60,000 | \$10 | \$10 | 4 p. ct. & 2 p. ct. bonus for '98 | 382 sellers |
| Circulars | 9,000 | \$50 | \$50 | 20 per cent. for 1890 | 405 old |
| China & Manila S. S. Co., Ltd. | 14,000 | \$50 | \$10 | ex old Capital | 318 sellers |
| Registration | 4,000 P.M. | | | | |
| Papers | 11.30 A.M. | | | | |
| Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 4.45 P.M. | | | | | |
| Letters | 11.00 A.M. | | | | |
| Monday, 16th | 5.00 P.M. | | | | |
| Star Ferry Co., Limited | 10,000 | \$10 | \$10 | 10/- p. ct. for 1890 | 31/- |
| Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited | 18,000 | \$100 | \$100 | Final of 5 p. ct. = 8 p. ct. for 1899 | 320/- sellers |
| REFINERIES. | | | | | |
| China Sugar Refining Company, Limited | 20,000 | \$100 | \$100 | Final of 5 p. ct. = 6 p. ct. for 1898 | 345 sellers |
| China Mutual S. N. Co., Limited | 20,000 | \$10 | \$10 | 10/- p. ct. bonus for 1898 | 311.50 |
| Do, Ordinary | 20,000 | \$10 | \$10 | 10/- p. ct. & bonus of 8s. on Ord. Account '99 | 345 buyers |
| Do, do | 20,000 | \$10 | \$10 | 81.05—12.12 p. ct. for year ended 30/4/99 | 355 buyers |
| Pakhoi | 11.00 A.M. | | | | |
| Sungkhang | 11.00 A.M. | | | | |
| MINING. | | | | | |
| Punjum Mining Co., Ltd. | 60,000 | \$8 | \$7 | None | 35 sellers |
| Do, Preference | 30,000 | \$1 | \$1 | Final of 5 p. ct. bonus for 1898 | 31.20 |
| Queens Mines, Limited | 16,000 | \$250 | \$250 | None | 200 sellers |
| Jelebu Mining and Trading Company, Ltd. | 400,000 | 25cts. | 25cts. | None | 15 cents, sales & sellers |
| Raub Asahan Gold Mining Co., Limited | 45,000 | \$5 | \$5 | 5 p. ct. half year end, 31/7/94 (coupon 8) | 111.50 sellers |
| New Amyo Dock Co., Ltd. | 200,000 | 21 | 16/10 | 1st/11/94 (31/12/90, 10th dir. on 15/7/94) | 358 buyers |
| Olivers Freehold Mines, Limited | A 15,000 | \$5 | \$5 | None | 227 sellers |
| Great Eastern and Central Gold Mining Co., Ltd. | 140,000 | \$4 | \$3 | First year | 40 cents, sellers |
| Do, Preferences | 70,000 | \$1 | \$1 | 22 per cent. for 1890 | 35 cents |
| Docke, Wharves, & Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Limited | 12,500 | \$125 | \$125 | Spec. & 12 p. ct. bonus for year ended 31/12/90 | 318 p. et. pr. = \$772.50 sellers |
| Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Co., Ltd. | 20,000 | \$50 | \$50 | Final of 5 p. ct. for 1890 | 384 buyers cum new |
| Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Co., Ltd. | 2,600 | \$100 | \$73 | Final of \$14.50 for 1890 | 357 buyers |
| New Amyo Dock Co., Ltd. | 6,000 | \$63 | \$63 | 22 per cent. for 1890 | 321 sales |
| LANDS, HORSES & BUILDINGS. | | | | | |
| Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd. | 50,000 | \$100 | \$100 | Final of \$34 = \$6 | 3102 cum call buyers |
| Kowloon Land & Co., Ltd. | 0.00 | \$50 | \$30 | 311 for 1890 | 3251 sales & buyers |
| West Point Building Company, Limited | 12,500 | \$50 | \$50 | Final of \$11.50 = \$4.75 | 347 buyers |
| Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited | 12,000 | \$50 | \$50 | 10 p. ct. for half year | 3127 sellers |
| Humphreys Est. & Fin. Co. | 55,000 | \$10 | \$10 | 6 per cent. for 1890 | 3107.50 sellers |
| COTTON MILLS. | | | | | |
| Two Cotton, Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd. | 17,500 | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100 | 3 p. ct. for period ending 31/12/97 | Tls. 60, sellers |
| International Cot. Mfg. Co., Ltd. | 10,000 | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100 | 3 p. ct. on account '98 | Tls. 60 |
| Loou-kung-mow Cotton Spin. & Weav. Co., Ltd. | 8,000 | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100 | 4 p. ct. on account '98 on 6,000 shares | Tls. 60 |
| Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Ltd. | 2,000 | Tls. 500 | Tls. 500 | 4 p. ct. for period ending 31/12/97 | Tls. 375 |
| Yehloong Cot. Spinn. Co., Ltd. | 7,500 | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100 | None | Tls. 40 |
| Hongkong Cotton Spin. & Weav. & Dye. Co., Ltd. | 12,000 | \$100 | \$100 | 6 per cent. for 1890 | 334 sellers |
| MISCELLANEOUS. | | | | | |
| Green Island Cement Co., Ltd. | 50,000 | \$10 | \$10 | 10 p. c. for 1890 | 3205, sales & buyers |
| China Borneo Co., Ltd. | 7,000 | \$20 | \$15 | Final of 6 p. ct. making 11 p. ct. for '99 | 328 buyers |
| A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd. | 60,000 | \$10 | \$10 | 11 p. ct. for 1890 | 3151 buyers |
| Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd. | 30,000 | \$10 | \$10 | 90 cents on 10/7/99 | 311.85, sales and sel. |
| Hongkong and China Gas Company, Limited | 30,000 | \$10 | \$2 | 10 p. ct. for 1890 | 32.10 |
| Hongkong Ho pe Mfg. Co., Ltd. | 10,000 | \$50 | \$10 | 10 p. ct. for 1898 | 3170 |
| Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd. | 6,000 | \$25 | \$25 | 15 per cent. for 1890 | |